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FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION OFFICERS
SUBJ: PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE FOR GUYANA SUPPORT
1. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT MAY BE USED IN RESPONSE TO QUERY REGARDING DOD ASSISTANCE OPERATIONS IN GUYANA:
" THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IS RESPONDING TO A REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR MEDICAL AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE IN THE WAKE OF THE RECENT INCIDENTS IN GUYANA.
AN AIR FORCE MEDICAL EVACUATION EQUIPPED C-141 RETURNED NINE

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SURVIVORS FROM GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, ON NOVEMBER 19. FOUR OF THE MORE SERIOUSLY INJURED WERE TAKEN TO NAVAL AIR STATION ROOSEVELT ROADS; THE OTHER FIVE WERE TRANSPORTED TO ANDREWS AFB AND TRANSFERRED TO THE BASE HOSPITAL. A C-130 FROM HOWARD AFB, CANAL ZONE, TRANSPORTED STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS AND A COMMUNICATIONS TEAM TO GEORGETOWN. MAC DEPLOYED ANOTHER C-141 MEDEVAC EQUIPPED AIRCRAFT FROM CHARLESTON AFB, SC, WITH MEDICAL PERSONNEL ABOARD, THAT ARRIVED IN GEORGETOWN THIS MORNING.
THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IS ALSO RESPONDING TO A REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA MILITARY FORCES WITH RESCUE AND EVACUATION EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS. THE ITEMS INCLUDE HELICOPTERS, A SMALL AIRCRAFT, LIGHT FIELD RADIOS, SLEEPING BAGS, C-RATIONS, AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.
" Q: ARE U.S. COMBAT TROOPS BEING CONSIDERED FOR DEPLOYMENT?
" A: NO. THE POSSIBILITY OF DEPLOYING NON-COMBAT SUPPORT PERSONNEL IS BEING CONSIDERED TO ASSIST IN HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS."
2. PUBLIC COMMENT BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THE FOREGOING IS NOT AUTHORIZED. PUBLIC AND NEWS MEDIA QUERIES SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AND FORWARDED TO OASD(PA), AUTOVON 227-5331 OR AUTOVON 227-5131.

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3. MEDIA EMBARK ABOARD MILITARY AIRCRAFT ENROUTE TO GUYANA IS NOT AUTHORIZED.
4. AFIS STILL PHOTOS AND MOPIC FOOTAGE SHOULD BE FORWARDED AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE TO OASD(PA) (UNPROCESSED).

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